

WRITING PORTFOLIO

2B

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CLASS:

CORRECTION SYMBOLS

SYMBOL	MEANING	SYMBOL	MEANING
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sp	spelling	con	connector
s/pl	singular or plural	rep	repetition
X	unnecessary word	?	I don't understand!

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INCORRECT SENTENCE

CORRECT SENTENCE

1.	Im happy youre here	p	I'm happy you're here.
2.	i love english.	cap	I love English.
3.	When did you up this morning?	^	When did you get up this morning?
4.	I rike cats.	sp	I like cats.
5.	My birthday is on June.	prep	My birthday is in June.
6.	He likes play tennis.	wf	He likes playing tennis.
7.	I love chocolate. I don't like white chocolate.	con	I love chocolate, but I don't like...
8.	Shibuya is fun and I often go to Shibuya.	rep	Shibuya is fun and I often go there.
9.	I buy a new shirt yesterday.	vt	I bought a new shirt yesterday.
10.	He go to university on Saturday.	s/v	He goes to university on Saturday.
11.	I went to Disneyland with all my friend.	pl	I went to Disneyland with all my friends.
12.	I visited to my grandparents.	X	I visited my grandparents.
13.	She name is Michelle.	pron	Her name is Michelle.
14.	I live in theTokyo.	art.	I live in Tokyo.
15.	My father every day beer drinks.	wo	My father drinks beer every day.
16.	I work on Sun day.	∩	I work on Sunday.
17.	My favourite dish is watermelon.	ww	My favourite food is watermelon.



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REWRITE #1

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #1 (100 WORDS)

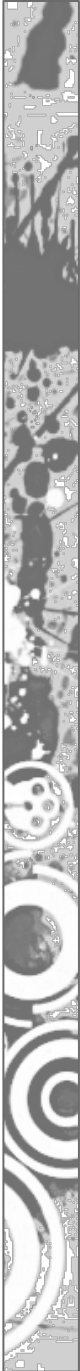
Choose one topic and write about it. Be sure to use complete sentences and use paragraph style.

- A. What did you do over summer break? Where did you go? Who did you go with? What was the best and worst part of your summer break?
- B. What do you *wish* you did over summer break? What plans would have made if you could have done anything? Where would you have gone? Who would you have gone with?
- C. Is it better for university students to work during the summer or have a lot free time?



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REWRITE #2

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #2 (150 WORDS)

- A. How does your college life differ from high school? Write about similarities and differences between the two.
- B. Modern smart phones became popular in 2007 with the introduction of the iPhone. How does today's world with smart phones differ from the world in 2006, when most people only had feature phones (gara-kei)?
- C. Even though they are both part of the same country, Osaka and Tokyo have distinct features. What are some similarities and differences between Osaka and Tokyo?



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REWRITE #3

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #3 (150-200 WORDS)

- A. Declining birth rate in Japan is causing many problems. What are the problems that are caused? What can Japan do to solve the problems? (Give three problems, and write about how to fix each problem.)
- B. If Japan allowed more immigrants to come into the country, what would be some of the social benefits and problems that might cause? (Give two positive effects and two negative effects.)



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REWRITE #4

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REWRITE #5

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #4 (100 WORDS)

- A. Japanese universities begin in April and end in January. In almost every other country in the world, university begins in September and ends in May. Do you think Japan should convert to the Western university calendar? Why or why not?
- B. All Japanese university students must study abroad for a year. Do you agree or disagree? Give three reasons for your opinion.

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #5 (100 WORDS)

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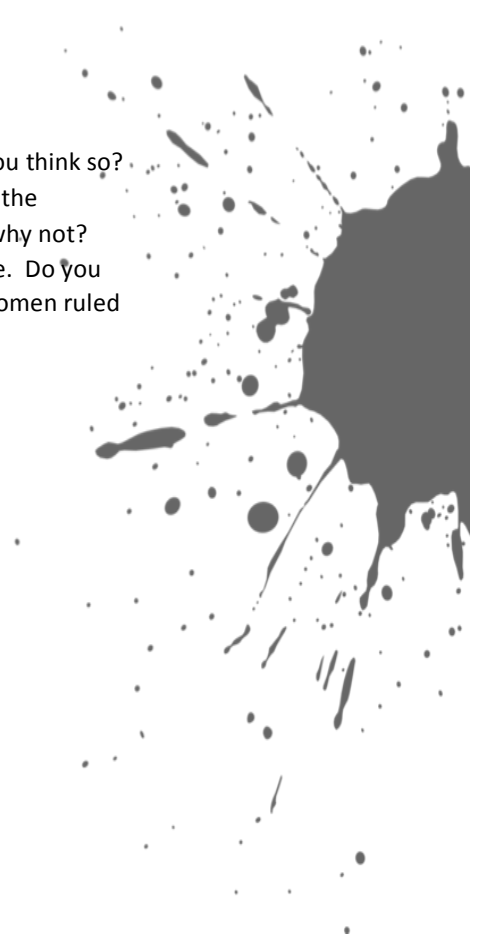
REWRITE #6

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #6 (150 WORDS)

- A. Are women treated the same as men in Japan? Why do/don't you think so?
- B. If a woman gets a really good job, is it okay for her to work while the husband stays at home and takes care of the children? Why or why not?
- C. Now, the majority of government leaders is overwhelmingly male. Do you think this should change? What do you think would happen if women ruled the world?



REWRITE #7

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REWRITE #8

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #7

Describe an element of Japanese culture that is “hidden” or “unknown” to most foreigners.
Write a paragraph teaching a foreigner about a secret part of Japanese culture.

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #8 (100 WORDS)

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REWRITE #9

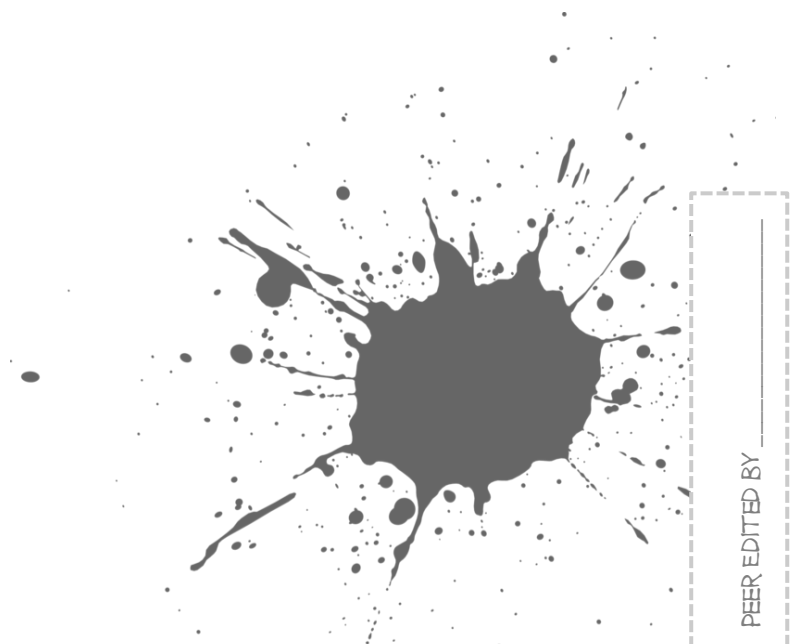
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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #9 (200 WORDS)

Choose one of the following topics. Use it as your first sentence. Write three to four paragraphs.

- A. Global warming is caused by many different things. . .
- B. There are a number of consequences of global warming. . .
- C. Several things have contributed to my success as a student. . .
- D. Moving to a big city has changed my life in many ways. . .



REWRITE #10

TITLE

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PORTFOLIO ENTRY #10 (150 WORDS)

- A. Think about your first two years at Kwansai Gakuin. Reflect on your experiences as a student. Did you have fun? Did you succeed? Did you find your path to the future? Write about some positive experiences and some negative experiences you have had at KG. Last, if you could start again as a freshman, would you change anything about your university life? *(Write at least three paragraphs with an introduction.)*
- B. If you were the President of Kwansai Gakuin University, what changes would you make to the school? Be creative. Imagine that you had the power and money to make a real change. Give at least three examples of what you would change and why. *(Write at least three paragraphs with an introduction.)*



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Unit Focus Chart

Unit	1A	1B	2A	2B
1	Punctuation. Run-on sentences. Sentence fragments. Missing Words.	Misplaced commas. Independent /dependent clauses. Comma splices.	Commas. "Because." Contractions. Sentence fragments.	Commas. "Because." Contractions. Sentence fragments.
2	Singular/plural nouns. Quantifier + s/es. Subject-verb agreement.	Irregular plural nouns. Common mistakes with nouns.	Irregular singular and plural nouns. Subject-verb agreement.	Singular/plural nouns. Subject-verb agreement.
3	Word choice. Word form.	Word choice. Word form. Articles (a, an, the)	Word choice. Word form. Word order.	Word choice. Word form. Infinitives vs. Gerunds
4	Pronoun agreement. Verb tense (simple past, present, future)	Verb tense (present vs. present continuous).	Pronoun agreement. Articles (a, an, the).	Verb tense (passive). Irregular verb forms.
5	Prepositions (location /transportation).	Review of all editing symbols.	Verb tense (irregular). Prepositions (time).	Review of all editing symbols.

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FOCUS: commas, “because,” contractions, sentence fragments

A. Sentence Activity

Correct the sentences below. Underline and place correction symbols above each mistake. Use the correction symbols in the box to the right. Symbols may be used more than once.



1. Its not polite to eat with your mouth open. (1 mistake)
2. Because it's a holiday, she will go to the bakery get a haircut and go to the park. (2 mistakes)
3. The dog played with it's toys all morning. For example, a ball and a rope. (3 mistakes)
4. I often like to read at a café. Because its quiet and the atmosphere is comfortable. (4 mistakes)
5. Second Asuka loves to go to the park because she can run free, and play on the swing set. (2 mistakes)

B. Paragraph Editing (10 mistakes)

Correct the paragraph below. First, underline and place correction symbols above the mistakes, then rewrite the paragraph to correct any mistakes. Use the correction symbols in the box to the right. Symbols may be used more than once.



Daisuke has been applying for full-time jobs in Osaka, and Kyoto. Last week, he received a call from a computer company in tokyo. They asked Daisuke to fry to Tokyo for a job interview. Daisuke agreed to go to the interview. Because the company offered to pay for Daisuke's airplane ticket. Since then, Daisuke has been busy collecting informaton about the company. Next he also went shopping for a new suite. Also, Daisuke has been rehearsing for the interview, because he wants to do his best, impress the company and get a job. Hes looking forward to working at a new place.

FOCUS: Singular/plural nouns, subject-verb agreement

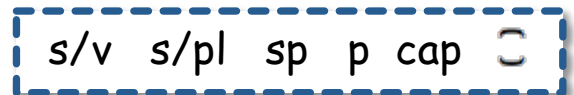
A. Sentence Activity

Correct the sentences below. Fill in the blanks with the singular or plural nouns and the correct verb agreement.

1. The animals (**was / were**) taken to the farm in two (**vehicle / vehicles**).
2. In the summer, I love eating (**fruit / fruits**), but in the winter I prefer (**vegetable / vegetables**).
3. I must win two (**match / matches**) before I can get a trophy.
4. Three years (**is / are**) a long time to not buy new (**cloths / clothes**).
5. She (**like / likes**) Aoto and Mari. They are very generous (**person / persons / people**).

B. Paragraph Editing (12 mistakes)

Correct the paragraph below. First, underline and place correction symbols above the mistakes, then rewrite the paragraph to correct any mistakes. Use the correction symbols in the box to the right. Symbols may be used more than once.



Since I was a little girl, I have always loved science-fiction movie. There are several reason that I likes them. First I have always been interested in the future. I love to imagine what the future will be like. Will it be a wonderful utopia or a nightmare filled with scary alien? My second reason is, because I love technologies. Sci-fi is full of robots, spaceships, and computer. Finally, I think sci-fi is great because it is full of imagination. Of course, all movies and TV shows is creative. But I love seeing lives and worlds that only ekzist in the imagination. To me, science-fiction is the best movie genre.

FOCUS: Word choice, word form, infinitives, and gerunds

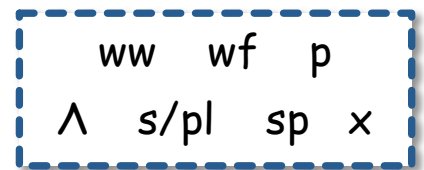
A. Sentence Activity

Correct the sentences below. Choose the correct words to complete the sentences OR correct the underlined words.

1. I like to walking in the park because it helps me clear my mind. (_____)
2. The (**scary / scared**) part of the ride (**scary / scared**) all the children at the party.
3. My friends and I love ride the roller coasters at the theme park. (_____)
4. The students were (**exited / exciting**) about the (**interested / interesting**) events at the festival.
5. Eat onions, to watching scary movies, and bugs are the things I hate. (_____ / _____)

B. Paragraph Editing (10 mistakes)

Correct the paragraph below. First, underline and place correction symbols above the mistakes, then rewrite the paragraph to correct any mistakes. Use the correction symbols in the box to the right. Symbols may be used more than once.



I have travelled to many interested countries around the world. While all of them are exciting to visit, I have three favorite country. The first country, is Thailand. It is one of my favorites because of the beaches and the mountains. I like to swimming at the beach and ride elephants in the mountains. Besides Thailand I also like India. The food in India is my favorite cuisine. Everything is dericious, for example, the curries, the breads, and the yogurt lassies. Last, I love go to Jordan. Besides the nature and the food, I am amazing at the landmarks and the desserts. Petra is my favorite World Heritage Site. That is why I love Thailand, India, and Jordan.

FOCUS: Verb tense (passive), irregular verb forms

A. Sentence Activity

Correct the sentences below. Write the correct form of the verb in the blanks to complete the sentences.

- 1. The house _____ 100 years ago. (build)
- 2. After all the goals _____, the game was _____. (miss, lose)
- 3. Hundreds of languages _____ at the United Nations every day. (speak)
- 4. You can't enter now; the office _____ at the moment. (clean)
- 5. Don't worry about the money, the car _____ now. (sell)
- 6. My favorite coffee cup _____ by the dog yesterday. (broke)

B. Paragraph Editing (11 mistakes)

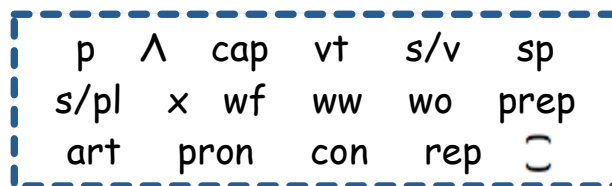
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vt	^	wf	con
x	pron	s/pl	art

The best experience of my life happen last summer. For three months, I studied abroad in Florida, U.S.A. I really had a great time in Florida, I did many amazed things. One of the thing I did was to swimming with dolphins. It was very cute. Next, I really enjoyed my host family. A family consisted of a father, a mother, and two twin girls. My breakfast and dinner maked everyday by father. Everyone were so kind. Another good experience was seeing the original Florida State Capitol Building. It was build in 1845. Overall, I had a great time in Florida.

FOCUS: Review of all the symbols

Correct the paragraphs below. First, underline and place correction symbols above the mistakes, then correct the mistakes. Use any of the correction symbols in the box to the right. Some symbols may be used more than once or not at all.



A. Paragraph 1 (15 mistakes)

My trip to the United States were big shock. One day, my mother said, "Go and pack your cloths. We are going to New York tomorrow, and they are going to live there." The news was a complete surprise to me. I went to my room and sit on the bed for a long time. After that I called my best friend and telled him a news. The next morning, my mother and I got on a airplane in eight 0'clock. I remember sitting next to the window, and looking down on my City. I was scared. Because I didn't know my future. My life charged overnight. I never forget that trip.

B. Paragraph 2 (14 mistakes)

In my opinion, violent video games is harmful to young children. First studies show that playing these games cause changes in the behavior of young people. According to researchers, playing these games after, young people have more more angry feelings. In addition, players get into fights at school. Players have arguments with they teachers. Second reason is that violent video games make young people less sensitive too violence in the world. I beleive that games make it entertaining to shoot and kill. Childs may forget the line between fantasy and reality. Lastly, these types of games teach children that it is ok to use vilence to solve their problem. Violence is never the solution. Therefore, violent games are not for young people, and it should be banned.



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